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quired, and also to entrust the Tahsildar with their proper maintenance.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

KARUNAGAPALLI TALUK.

107. Improvement of communications in the taluk.

Mr. Chembakaraman Padmanabhan (Member, Karunagapalli Taluk) requested that the following works might be carried out:—

Metalling of the roads

(1) from Neendakara bar through Kuttivattom,

(2) from Kayankulam through Kulachekarapuram in the north,

(3) from Kuttivattom to Sasthankottah through Thevalakara,

(4) from Sastankottah through Thazhava.

Besides the above works, the Member prayed for the construction of a new road for a distance of one mile from Mukundapuram kadavu to Puthenpalakadavu for the use of agriculturists.

Mr. Kunjan Narayanan (Member, Karunagapalli Taluk) prayed that the portion of the Quilon-Mavelikara road in the Karunagapalli taluk might be metalled.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

KARTIGAPALLI TALUK.

108. Improvement of roads in the taluk.

Mr. V. N. Unnithan (Member, Karthigapalli Taluk) said that at present the main road from Kayankulam to Thottapally was not fit for traffic. He requested that the Government might arrange for the road being metalled. He also urged the widening and metalling of the existing road from the Haripad Thava landing to Kayankulam through Karthigapalli, Muthukolam and Kirikad and connecting the same with the backwater.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

MAVELIKARA TALUK.

109. Deepening of the Parayankari branch of the Mavelikara river.

Mr. Jacob Kuriyan (Member, Mavelikara Taluk) [illegible] presented that about 2,616 acres of land were rendered [illegible] productive owing to the silting up of the Parayank[illegible] branch of the Mavelikara river, which flowed through [illegible] middle of the lands. Though the Division Peishkar [illegible] recommended the improvement of the canal, the matt[illegible] was subsequently dropped by Government on the streng[illegible] of a report from the Chief Engineer that the restorati[illegible] of ten miles of a large river was a hopeless undertaki[illegible] When it was represented in the last Assembly that all th[illegible]

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was necessary was a cutting of the river for a length of only one mile and 4 furlongs and that the total cost would not exceed Rs. 5,000, the reply given was that the Dewan would visit the spot and the Member should meet the Dewan and explain matters. He prayed that the loss and trouble, which the inhabitants were put to on account of the silting of the canal, might be put an end to very soon.

Dewan's reply.—This will lie over for the personal inspection which I have promised to make. I hope soon to visit the Mavelikara, Chengannur and Tiruvalla taluks.

110. Removal of the granite rock in the Kollakadavu river.

Mr. Jacob Kuryan, for Mr. Padmanabha Pillai (Member, Mavelikara Taluk) stated that the granite rock in the Kollakadavu was a great nuisance to the public. He prayed that Government might be pleased to issue orders to destroy and remove the rock.

Dewan's reply.—The matter is under investigation by the Chief Engineer.

CHENGANNUR TALUK.

111. Opening of a hospital in the Chengannur taluk.

Mr. Devan Krishnan (Member, Chengannur Taluk) urged the necessity of a hospital in the Chengannur taluk

Dewan's reply.—A dispensary will be opened at Chengannur.

112. Opening of a school at Pathanamthitta.

Mr. Aiyappan Aiyappan (Member, Chengannur Taluk) said that there was no English School in the Chengannur taluk. He prayed therefore that an English School might be opened at Pathanamthitta.

Dewan's reply.—I have asked the Director to make enquiries. If there be a sufficient number of pupils, we shall gladly open a school at Pathanamthitta.

TIRUVALLA TALUK.

113. Improvement of the roads of the taluk.

Mr. V. S. Krishna Pillai (Member, Tiruvalla Taluk) stated that most of the roads of the taluk were not well kept. Some were taken notice of by Government. But the work has not yet begun in the

(*a*) Peringara-Mepral road.

(*b*) Kalluppara-Mallappally road.

(*c*) Chenganur-Mannar road. The Member prayed that the works might be carried out.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

AMBALAPUZHA TALUK.

114. Protection of the crops against breaches in the bund called the Thottapally Chira.

Mr. Krishnan Narayanan (Member, Ambalapuzha Taluk) stated that much damage was caused to the crops

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